

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace paragraph [0001] with the following paragraph:

[0001] This application is a continuation of application serial number 10/300,515, filed November 20, 2002, which is a continuation of application number 09/778,173, filed February 6, 2001, which is a continuation of application serial number 09/115,409, filed July 14, 1998, now U.S. Patent 6,226,705, which is a divisional of application serial number 08/651,118, filed May 21, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 5,815,681. The entire disclosure of each of the above referenced patents and patent applications is hereby incorporated herein by reference. ~~The disclosure of the prior applications is included herein by reference.~~ Priority is hereby claimed to each of these applications.

Please replace paragraph [0008] with the following paragraph:

File server 116 in this example may also contain routers (not shown) for communication and connection to different network protocols such as Ethernet™, Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM), and Fiber Distributed Data Interface (FDDI), among others. The output of file server 116 is coupled to shared peripherals such as a network modem 448 119, a laser printer 120, and other peripherals represented by element number 122. All workstations 112a through 112e on the network share access to the peripherals connected to server 116.